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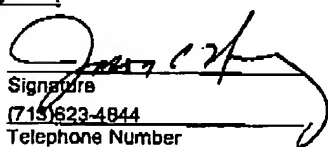
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In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 10, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0201/JCH for \$300.00 for one additional independent claim and one additional dependent claim, along with any other fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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